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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 200

As Amended by Senate Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

SB 200 would add another exception to the general rule prohibiting fingerprinting and photographing of juvenile offenders to allow all alleged juvenile offenders to be fingerprinted and photographed during processing at juvenile intake and assessment centers for the purpose of maintaining accurate identification of the juvenile within the Juvenile Justice Information System.

The Senate Committee amendment was technical.

Background

The Acting Commissioner of the Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA) said SB 200 would allow all alleged juvenile offenders to be fingerprinted and photographed during processing at juvenile intake and assessment centers. This would allow the JJA to maintain accurate identification of the juvenile within the Juvenile Justice Information System and would help law enforcement and community agencies address the ongoing problem of accurately identifying youth during intake and assessment. Currently, when youth enter the system through intake and assessment, much of the information is self-reported, and this information is not always accurate. This has led to the same youth being entered into the system under multiple names and identifiers.

The fiscal note states that the JJA estimates it would cost \$472,000 in order for the JJA to update all of the juvenile intake and assessment centers' computer systems throughout the state in order to link each juvenile's fingerprints to his or her records. It is anticipated that this would be a multi-year project and that it would cost an additional \$472,000 in the second year to complete the integration of fingerprints into the system.

^{*}Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org